

**Calendar Wednesday:** Agreed to dispense with the Calendar Wednesday business of March 29.

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**Senate Messages:** Message received from the Senate today appears on page H1287.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Four yea and nay votes and six recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H1290–91, H1299–H1300, H1300–01, H1325–26, H1354–55, H1363, H1374, H1386, H1400, and H1401–02. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 12:21 a.m. on Friday, March 24.

## Committee Meetings

### FREEDOM TO E-FILE ACT

*Committee on Agriculture:* Subcommittee on Department Operations, Oversight, Nutrition, and Forestry approved for full Committee action, as amended, H.R. 852, Freedom to E-File Act.

### COMMERCE, JUSTICE, STATE AND JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and Judiciary held a hearing on Drug Enforcement. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Justice: Donnie Marshall, Administrator, DEA; James K. Robinson, Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division; and Mary H. Murguia, Director, Executive Office for U.S. Attorneys.

The Subcommittee also continued appropriation hearings. Testimony was heard from Members of Congress.

### DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Defense held a hearing on Army budget overview. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense, Department of the Army: Louis Caldera, Secretary; and Gen. Eric K. Shinseki, USA, Chief of Staff.

The Subcommittee also met in executive session to hold a hearing on Army acquisitions. Testimony was heard from Paul J. Hoeper, Assistant Secretary, Acquisition, Logistics, and Technology, Department of the Army, Department of Defense.

### DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on the District of Columbia held a hearing on Corrections and Related Activities. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the government of the District of Columbia: John L. Clark, Corrections Trustee; John A. Carver, Trustee, Court Services and Of-

fender Supervision; and Cynthia Jones, Director, Public Defender Service.

### ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development met in executive session to hold a hearing on Department of Energy—Atomic Energy Defense Activities. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Energy: Gen. Eugene E. Habiger, USAF, Director, Security and Emergency Operations; and Brig. Gen. Thomas F. Gioconda, USAF, Acting Deputy Administrator, Defense Programs; and Rose Gottemoeller, Deputy Administrator, Defense Nuclear Non-proliferation, both with the National Nuclear Security Administration.

### INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Interior held a hearing on the National Endowment for the Humanities and on National Endowment for the Arts. Testimony was heard from William Ferris, Chairman, National Endowment for the Humanities; and Bill Ivey, Chairman, National Endowment for the Arts.

### LABOR-HHS-EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education held a hearing on Employment and Training Administration/Veterans Employment; Employment Standards Administration; Occupational Safety and Health Administration; and Mine Safety and Health Administration. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Labor: Raymond L. Bramucci, Assistant Secretary, Employment and Training Administration; Bernard Anderson, Assistant Secretary, Employment and Training Administration; Charles N. Jeffress, Assistant Secretary, OSHA; and Davitt McAteer, Assistant Secretary, Mine Safety and Health.

### TREASURY, POSTAL SERVICE, AND GENERAL GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service, and General Government held a hearing on Office of National Drug Control Policy and on the Executive Office of the President. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Executive Office of the President: Barry McCaffrey, Director, Office of National Drug Control Policy; and Michael Lyle, Director, Office of Administration.

**VA, HUD AND INDEPENDENT AGENCIES  
APPROPRIATIONS**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on VA, HUD and Independent Agencies held a hearing on the Department of Housing and Urban Development. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Housing and Urban Development: Saul Ramirez, Jr., Deputy Secretary; Dave Gibbons, Budget Officer; Cardell Cooper, Assistant Secretary, Community Planning and Development; Harold Lucas, Assistant Secretary, Public and Indian Housing; Eva Plaza, Assistant Secretary, Fair Housing; William Apgar, Assistant Secretary, Housing, FHA Commissioner; Hal DeCell, Assistant Secretary, Legislation; Susan Wachter, Assistant Secretary, Policy Development and Research; and Joe Smith, Assistant Secretary, Administration.

**U.S. POLICY TOWARDS COLOMBIA**

*Committee on Armed Services:* Held a hearing on U.S. policy towards Colombia. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Brian Sheridan, Assistant Secretary (Special Operations and Low-Intensity Conflict); Gen. Charles E. Wilhelm, USMC, Commander in Chief, U.S. Southern Command; and Rand Beers, Assistant Secretary (International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs).

**INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL  
ARCHITECTURE**

*Committee on Banking and Financial Services:* Held a hearing on International Financial Architecture. Testimony was heard from Lawrence H. Summers, Secretary of the Treasury; and public witnesses.

**MEDICARE PROGRAM—PATIENT ACCESS  
TO SELF-INJECTABLE PRESCRIPTION  
DRUGS**

*Committee on Commerce:* Subcommittee on Health and Environment held a hearing on Patient Access to Self-injectable Prescription Drugs in the Medicare Program. Testimony was heard from Michael Hash, Deputy Administrator, Health Care Financing Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

**MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES**

*Committee on Commerce:* Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 3615, amended, Rural Local Broadcast Signal Act; H.R. 3113, amended, Unsolicited Electronic Mail Act of 1999; and H.R. 3439, Radio Broadcasting Preservation Act of 1999.

**“MISSING WHITE HOUSE E-MAILS:  
MISMANAGEMENT OF SUBPOENAED  
RECORDS”**

*Committee on Government Reform:* Held a hearing on “Missing White House E-Mails: Mismanagement of Subpoenaed Records”. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Executive Office of the President: Daniel Barry, Computer Specialist, Office of Administration; and Mark Lindsay, Assistant to the President and Director of White House Management and Administration; Laura Crabtree, Chief Information Officer, Department of Labor; and public witnesses.

**MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES; U.S. POLICY  
TOWARD IRAQ**

*Committee on International Relations:* Favorably considered the following resolutions and adopted a motion urging the Chairman to request that they be considered on the Suspension Calendar: H. Con. Res. 292, amended, congratulating President-elect Chen Shui-bian and Vice President-elect Annette Lu of Taiwan and reaffirming United States policy toward Taiwan and the People's Republic of China; and H.R. 3707, amended, American Institute in Taiwan Facilities Enhancement Act.

The Committee also held a hearing on U.S. Policy Toward Iraq. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of State: C. David Welch, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of International Organization Affairs; and A. Elizabeth Jones, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Near Eastern Affairs; and Alina Romanowski, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs.

**CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT—ITEM  
VETO**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on the Constitution held a hearing on H.J. Res. 9, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to allow an item veto of appropriation bills. Testimony was heard from Representatives English and Baldacci; Louis Fisher, Senior Specialist in Separation of Powers, Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress; and public witnesses.

**MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Courts and Intellectual Property approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 4034, United States and Trademark Office Reauthorization Act; and H.R. 2100, amended, Antitampering Act of 1999.

**MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Crime held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 2810, Violent Offender DNA Identification Act; H.R. 3087, DNA Backlog Elimination Act; and H.R. 3375, Convicted Offender DNA Index System Support Act. Testimony was heard from Representatives Gilman, Weiner, Kennedy of Rhode Island, and Bishop; the following officials of the Department of Justice: Dwight E. Adams, Deputy Assistant Director, Laboratory Division, FBI; and David G. Boyd, Director, Office of Science and Technology, National Institute of Justice; David Coffman, Crime Laboratory Analyst Supervisor, Investigation and Forensics Program Area, Department of Law Enforcement, Florida; Paul B. Ferrara, Director, Division of Forensic Science, Department of Criminal Justice Services, Florida; and public witnesses.

**MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES; OVERSIGHT—FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE**

*Committee on Resources:* Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans, approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 2090, Exploration of the Seas Act; and H.R. 3919, Coral Reef Conservation and Restoration Partnership Act of 2000.

The Subcommittee also held an oversight hearing on the Fiscal Year 2001 budget recommendations for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Testimony was heard from Jamie Rappaport Clark, Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior.

**CABIN USER FEE FAIRNESS ACT**

*Committee on Resources:* Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health held a hearing on H.R. 3327, Cabin User Fee Fairness Act of 1999. Testimony was heard from Representative Nethercutt; Paul Brouha, Associate Deputy Chief, National Forest System, Forest Service, USDA; and public witnesses.

**MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES**

*Committee on Resources:* Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 1500, Americas' Wilderness Protection Act; H.R. 1509, to authorize the Disabled Veterans' LIFE Memorial Foundation to establish a memorial in the District of Columbia or its environs to honor veterans who became disabled while serving in the Armed Forces of the United States; H.R. 1864, amended, Public Hearing Standardization Act of 1999; H.R. 2932, amended, Golden Spike/Crossroads of the West National Heritage Area Act of 1999; H.R. 3293, amended, to amend the law that authorized the Vietnam Veterans Memorial to authorize the placement within the site of

the memorial of a plaque to honor those Vietnam veterans who died after their service in the Vietnam war, but as a direct result of that service; and H.R. 3605, amended, San Rafael Western Legacy District and National Conservation Act.

**EPA'S SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY BUDGET**

*Committee on Science:* Subcommittee on Energy and Environment held a hearing on Fiscal Year 2001 Budget Authorization Request: Environmental Protection Agency Science and Technology Budget. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the EPA: Norine Noonan, Assistant Administrator, Office of Research and Development; and W. Randall Seeker, Chairman, Research Strategies Advisory Committee, Science Advisory Board; and David G. Wood, Associate Director, Environmental Protection Issues, Resources, Community, and Economic Development Division, GAO.

**MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES**

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 3069, amended, Southeast Federal Center Public-Private Development Act of 2000; H.R. 3171, amended, National Health Museum Site Selection Act; H.R. 1359, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse to be constructed at 10 East Commerce Street in Youngstown, Ohio, as the "Frank J. Battisti and Nathaniel R. Jones Federal Building and United States Courthouse"; S. 1567, amended, to designate the United States courthouse located at 223 Broad Street in Albany, Georgia, as the "C.B. King United States Courthouse"; and H.R. 4052, Transportation and Infrastructure Reports Restoration Act of 2000.

**GSA'S CAPITAL INVESTMENT PROGRAM**

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, Hazardous Materials and Pipeline Transportation held a hearing on GSA's Fiscal Year 2001 Capital Investment Programs. Testimony was heard from Representatives English, Clement, Radanovich, Neal, Scott, Taylor of Mississippi, Reyes, Quinn, LaFalce and Skretny; Jane E. Roth, Chairwoman, Space of Facilities Committee, Judicial Conference, U.S. Court of Appeals; Harry T. Edwards, Chief Judge, U.S. Courts of Appeals; the following Chief Judges of the U.S. District Court: Terry J. Hatter, Jr., Edward B. Davis, and John E. Conway; and public witnesses.

**VETERANS' LEGISLATION**

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* Subcommittee on Benefits held a hearing on the Department of Veterans

Affairs obligation to assist veterans in filing claims for benefits, and H.R. 3193, Duty to Assist Veterans Act of 1999. Testimony was heard from Joseph Thompson, Under Secretary, Benefits, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; and representatives of veterans organizations.

## CHILD PROTECTION ISSUES

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Subcommittee on Human Resources held a hearing on Child Protection Issues. Testimony was heard from Senators DeWine and Rockefeller; Representative Pryce of Ohio; Kristine Ragaglia, Commissioner, Department of Children and Families, State of Connecticut; and public witnesses.

## SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFICIARIES—WORK INCENTIVES FOR BLIND AND DISABLED

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Subcommittee on Social Security held a hearing on Work Incentives for Blind and Disabled Social Security Beneficiaries. Testimony was heard from: Representative Ehrlich; Susan Daniels, Deputy Commissioner, Disability and Income Security Program, SSA; Barbara Bovbjerg, Associate Director, Education, Workforce and Income Security Issues, Health, Education and Human Services Division, GAO; and public witnesses.

## INTELLIGENCE MATTERS

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence:* Met in executive session to hold hearings on the National Security Agency Legal Authorities and on the Consolidated Cryptologic Program. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

## Joint Meetings

### ORGANIZED CRIME AND CORRUPTION

*Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe (Helsinki):* Commission concluded hearings on the impact of organized crime and corruption on democratic and economic reform in southeast Europe and Central Asia, regional and international efforts to address this threat, and the effect it has on United States security, economic and political interests, after receiving testimony from Rob Boone, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs; James K. Weber, Deputy Assistant Director, International Operations Branch, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice; John Tennant, Deputy Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Europe and Eurasia, U.S. Agency for International Development; Adrian Karatnycky, Freedom House, New York, New York; and Nancy Lubin, JNA Associates, Inc., Washington, D.C.

## COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, MARCH 24, 2000

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

### Senate

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities, to hold hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 2001 for the Department of Defense and the Future Years Defense Program, focusing on DOD policies and programs to combat terrorism, 9:30 a.m., SR-222.

*Committee on Governmental Affairs:* to hold oversight hearings to examine rising oil prices, Executive Branch policy, and U.S. security implications, 10 a.m., SD-342.

### House

*Committee on Commerce,* Subcommittee on Energy and Power, hearing on the Department of Energy's Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2001, 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

*Committee on Government Reform,* Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology, hearing on "Key Differences Between Public-Private-Sector CIO'S", 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

## CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of March 27 through April 1, 2000

### Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, Senate will begin consideration of S.J. Res. 14, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States authorizing Congress to prohibit the physical desecration of the flag of the United States, with certain amendments to be proposed thereto.

On *Tuesday*, Senate will continue consideration of S.J. Res. 14, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States authorizing Congress to prohibit the physical desecration of the flag of the United States, with votes on or in relation to the pending amendments to occur beginning at 2:15 p.m.

During the remainder of the week, Senate may consider any other cleared legislative and executive business.

### Senate Committees

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

*Special Committee on Aging:* March 27, to hold hearings to examine income taxes, focusing on solutions to the Social Security and Medicare crisis, 2 p.m., SD-562.

*Committee on Appropriations:* March 28, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, to hold hearings to examine issues dealing with mind body and alternative medicines, 9:30 a.m., SD-192.

March 28, Subcommittee on Transportation, to hold hearings to examine the implementation of the Driver's